suppose the introducer of the bill could take a vote whether we take it up now or not. Mr. Clerk, this is not a rule is it?

CLERK: I am sorry, Senator.

SPEAKER NICHOL: This is not a rule...

CLERK: That the bill be laid over because a member is missing. No, sir, it is not.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Well, it is up between you, Mr. President, and Senator Pirsch to do whatever you think but...

PRESIDENT: I have no idea whether the amendment is substantive or not.

SPEAKER NICHOL: She can tell...

SENATOR PIRSCH: I can tell. I would like to have the Clerk read the amendment, and I think when we see it we can...Senator Hoagland can introduce it from now until 1989 according to the amendment. Would you read the amendment, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, the amendment offered by Senator Hoagland reads as follows: To add a following new section, Section 3. This act shall remain in effect only until November 31, 1989, or whenever the original section 20...whereupon, excuse me, the original Section 29-2203 shall be restored.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: According to this he has no objection to it right now but wants it to go back to the way it was in 1989 so I see no reason to prevent it from this date in 1984.

PRESIDENT: It amounts to a substantive matter in the bill though, doesn't it, Senator? It is a matter of substance and not just a matter of form but it could be subject to debate.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yes, that would be fine.